Health Programmes were identified after due consideration by the Director General of Health Services and recommended by the Ministry of Health and F.W. to the Department of Chemicals for price control under category I of the DPCO, 1987. Drugs for 3 other identified National Health Programmes are being evaluated for price control recommendations.

Byepass on National Highway No. 47

3978. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the length of Trivandrum-Neytinakara byepass on NH 47;

(b) what amount has been allotted therefor, so far;

(c) what amount has been spent so far;

(d) by when the byepass is expected to be ready as per schedule;

(e) whether it would be ready for traffic as per schedule; if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(f) what amount of more funds are required for it and whether it would be sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) 43 Kilometres.

(b) and (c) An expenditure of Rs. 6.40 crores has been incurred upto 31.3.88. The expenditure during the current year is to be met out of the allocation of Rs. 10 crores for development of National Highways in Kerala.

(d) to (f) The work is being taken up in two phases. A short length of about 1.18 kms. in phase I has been completed and opened to traffic. The work in two other stretches (about 5.0 km. in length) of phase-I is in progress. Phase II is in planning stage and it is too early to indicate the date of completion and the amount required.

Pay scales of ISM and Homoeopathy physicians recommended by Fourth Pay Commission

3979. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the different scales of pay which have been recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission for diploma and degree holders of ISM and Homoeopathy physicians in the C.G.H.S.;

(b) whether Government have accepted these pay scales;

(c) whether Government have received any representation from physicians belonging to this category for the early implementation of the Fourth Pay Commission's recommendations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) The Fourth Pay Commission have recommended a pay scale of Rs 2000—3500 for diploma and pay scale of Rs. 2200—4000 for degree holders ISM and Homoeopathy physicians in CGHS. The Joint Action Committee have given a memorandum and have drawn the attention of the Goveernment to the disparities in the pay scales recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission for degree and diploma holders ISM and Homoeopathy physicians. The major demand of the Joint Action Committee is that the pay scales promotional avenues, NPA and other privileges that are being given to allopathic doctors should also be made applicable to them. The recommendations of the Fourth Pay Commission are under consideration and a final decision will be taken after due consultation with all concerned.

Delay in the appointment of dean in AIIMS

3980. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to to state:

(a) whether there has been an inordinate delay in the appointment of a new dean